

1 1. (Amended) A system for assigning object identifiers, comprising:

2 a global positioning system (GPS) receiver for providing location and time information;

3 an identification generator that generates a unique identifier, wherein the identifier

4 includes the provided location and time information in an encoded format; and

5 *sub B1*

6 a system for assigning the identifier to an object located proximate the GPS receiver,
wherein the object comprises an electronic purchase.

1 6. (Amended) A program product stored on a recordable medium for assigning object identifiers,
2 the program product comprising:

3 means for receiving location and time information from a global positioning system

4 (GPS) receiver;

5 means for generating a unique identifier, wherein the identifier includes the received
6 location and time information in an encoded format; and

7 *sub B2*

8 means for outputting the identifier in a format suitable for tagging an object located
proximate the GPS receiver, wherein the object comprises a login event.

1 7. (Amended) The program product of claim 6, further comprising means for processing
2 simultaneous login events that occur at a common location.

1 9. (Amended) A system for processing object identifiers in the Internet, comprising:

2 a database for holding objects;

3 at least one identification system for providing unique identifiers for objects, wherein the

4 identification system obtains location and time information from a global positioning system

5 (GPS) and encodes the location and time information into each unique identifier; and

6 *Sub B3* an application for processing the objects, wherein the application includes a system for

7 processing the unique identifier, and wherein the objects comprise one of computer hardware

8 devices, login events, and electronic purchases.

1 12. (Amended) The system of claim 11, wherein the objects comprise login events and the time

2 *29* checking system compares a time difference between login events.

1 18. (Amended) The system of claim 9, wherein the objects comprise electronic purchases, and

2 the application validates each electronic purchase.

1 19. (Amended) A method of generating object identifiers, comprising the steps of:

2 obtaining time and location information from a global positioning system (GPS);

3 generating a unique identifier from the time and location information, wherein the time

4 and location information is encoded into the unique identifier; and

5 associating the unique identifier with an object, wherein the object comprises a computer

6 hardware device.